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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

In the long history of the development of the inter-American system, there has, perhaps, been no more important or controversial a question in the relations between states than that concerning the principle of nonintervention. Directed primarily against the "Colossus of the North" (though often disregarded in inter-Latin American relations), the principle was consistently advocated by Latin American diplomats during the period of U.S. interventionist policy in the Caribbean and Central America during the latter nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. For the sake of brevity, suffice to say that at the Seventh International Conference of American States at Montevideo in December, 1933, following the advent of the Good Neighbor policy earlier that year, the principle of nonintervention was finally, and formally, established as the cornerstone of the inter-American system.

In 1965, that principle received its most serious challenge in over thirty years, for what began as a *cuartelazo* in the Dominican Republic on April 24 had, within three short weeks, developed into a major international issue. What made this so, first and foremost, was the unilateral intervention of the United States and the reasons given by

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the Johnson Administration in explanation thereof. Not only was the underpinning of the inter-American system visibly weakened by the United States action, but there was also an indication to many that there had been a basic change in U.S. policy toward its Latin American neighbors. Some, for example, viewed the landing of American forces in Santo Domingo as the exercise of a new interventionist doctrine toward Latin America; while others, thinking in terms of U.S. global commitments, evaluated the action as an indication of intent to prevent, by military force if necessary, the establishment of communist régimes anywhere in the world.

It came as no surprise, therefore, to find that diplomatic activity--and not just that confined to the Western Hemisphere alone--could hardly keep pace with the events unfolding in the Dominican crisis. By the middle of May, moreover, there were present in the Dominican Republic, at one and the same time, representatives of the three major protagonists in the struggle: the United States, the Organization of American States, and the United Nations. Although the desire to restore peace in that island republic formed a common goal for their separate activities, other issues were at stake and the participants acted accordingly.

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the Tehran initiatives in supporting Cuba. Not only was the undermining of the inter-American system visibly endorsed by the Chinese Under Secretary, but there was also an indication as early when there had been a basic change in U.S. policy toward the Latin American governments. Here, for example, views the landing of Marines twice in Santo Domingo as the exception or a new interventionist doctrine toward Latin America while Kennedy visited Mexico to speak of the global partnership, evidenced the desire of an inter-view as hoped to convey, by military force if necessary, the establishment of democratic political systems in the world.

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of government in the Caribbean. The magnitude and duration of the U.S. intervention belied the original justification of intervening on humanitarian grounds, and Administration officials soon sought to multilaterialize the U.S. action by seeking the sanction of the Organization of American States.

The discomfiture felt in Washington, however, was no less acute than that experienced within the O.A.S. Having been asked for neither its advice nor its consent, the regional organization suddenly found itself on the horns of a dilemma. First, the principle of nonintervention, long regarded as the controlling dynamic of the inter-American system, was being placed in jeopardy; second, the continuing effectiveness of regional organizations within the framework of the United Nations was under serious attack. Under the circumstances, one was hardly surprised by the initial embarrassment and resentment shown by Latin American diplomats.

The issue was no less acute within the United Nations, although it tended to be overshadowed somewhat by the acrimonious debate between the two superpowers. In terms reminiscent of past US-USSR confrontations, the Soviet Union sought to gain as much political capital as possible out of the U.S. intervention, while the United States attempted to justify its actions before world opinion and called for a regional settlement of the dispute. The majority of member nations of the U.N., meanwhile, appeared less concerned with

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the US-USSR conflict than with the decreasing prestige and effectiveness of the world organization in maintaining international peace and security.

Little Uruguay, with its long tradition of stable constitutional government, quickly emerged as one of the foremost critics of the U.S. intervention. Using both the O.A.S. and the U.N. Security Council as their forums, Uruguayan diplomats called for the immediate withdrawal of U.S. troops from Dominican soil. Consistent with the strict Latin American juridical tradition, they repeatedly stressed the importance of observing the principles of the regional and universal organizations in the conduct of international relations. In particular, they voiced their concern over the so-called "Johnson Doctrine" which, in the Uruguayan interpretation, endangered the principle of nonintervention and the right of national self-determination.

It is the purpose of this thesis to examine the Uruguayan position in the O.A.S. and the United Nations Security Council, placing major emphasis upon the juridical framework in which Uruguayan foreign policy is formulated. At the same time, an analysis will be made of the extent to which Uruguayan foreign policy reflects both its domestic policy and its concern for the movement for social change in Latin America. Finally, this author attempts to assess the extent wo which the Uruguayan position was consistent with

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the policies, both domestic and foreign, which that country has pursued during the twentieth century.

This author knows of no other research done on Uruguayan foreign policy *per se*. Past studies of Uruguay have dwelt mainly upon the advanced social and political institutions which have characterized that country since the beginning of the present century. It is hoped, therefore, that this thesis will further enlarge upon our knowledge of that small and strongly-democratic Latin American nation.

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well as Uruguayan and U.S. news media. Regarding the latter, the interpretations of events occurring during the Dominican revolution were often at variance and, therefore, used with some caution in this thesis. The translation of the verbatim minutes of the Tenth Meeting of Consultation listed in the bibliography is by the author.

CHAPTER II

URUGUAY IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY

The juridical orientation of Uruguayan foreign policy reflects very closely the juridical approach which Uruguayans have adopted for many years now toward their own domestic politics. Concerning the latter, it should be noted that no country in Latin America has had a longer tradition of stable constitutional government than has Uruguay. This reputation, more than any other, has distinguished that small nation from the majority of her sister republics in the twentieth century. The domestic policy responsible for this stability was initiated in the first decade of this century and has been firmly institutionalized within the Uruguayan environment. Political compromise, advanced social legislation, and government intervention in the economy have been the three major components of that policy.

I. POLITICAL COMPROMISE AND CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM

At the turn of the present century, Uruguay had reached that point in her national existence in which the decisions made in the next decade or two would be of vital importance in determining the direction of her future development. Either the tradition of caudillismo and civil

insurrection would continue to dominate the domestic scene, as it had since the time of Independence,[1] or a new departure could be taken which would improve the social and political environment of the country and pave the way for political stability and economic progress.

Before an examination is made of the course actually taken, however, a brief review of the Uruguayan environment in 1900 will be helpful. Lacking in Uruguay were many of the sources of internal division found in much of Latin America. Geographically, Uruguay was a small nation in which communication and transportation were unimpeded by natural barriers, such as existed in many other Latin American countries. Intense regionalism, therefore, was not a factor in Uruguayan history. Ethnically integrated, Uruguay contained no significant number of Indians or Negroes, and its population was almost entirely of European racial stock. Concerning religion, the Constitution of 1830 had recognized the Catholic Church as the religion of the State, yet the Church had never attained that position of political and economic

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[1]"Of the twenty-five governments that guided the Uruguayan ship of state from 1830 to 1903, nine were forced out of power, two were liquidated by assassination and one by grave injury, ten resisted successfully one or more revolutions, and three were free of serious disturbance during their periods in office." Simon G. Hanson, Utopia in Uruguay. Chapters in the Economic History of Uruguay (New York: Oxford University Press, 1938), p. 3.

interpretation would continue to dominate the research scene, as it had since the era of Tocqueville,[4] or a new theoretical mode be found which could improve the social and political environment of the country and pave the way for political stability and economic progress.

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Economically, cattle and sheep raising provided the most important source of revenue for the small republic in the nineteenth century, and the stock-raising economy was one which lent itself to large-scale ownership of the land in a predominantly pastoral society. The introduction of the *frigorífico*, or meat-packing plant, in 1904, however, gave impetus to the rise of an urban labor class, whose ranks were augmented by wage-earners in the small industries and public utilities. A small urban middle class also began to appear at this time, consisting of the professional classes, government workers, and intellectuals. Urban labor and the middle class were centered primarily in Montevideo--the capital of Uruguay and its major port.

Concerning domestic politics, Uruguay had a tradition of political parties dating back to the 1830's. Throughout most of the nineteenth century, however, the Blancos and Colorados--the two major parties--were characterized more by their support of rival *caudillos* than by sharp differences in party ideology;[2] the result, more often than not, was

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It was during these latter decades of the nineteenth century that Uruguay made a unique contribution to Latin American political practice through its introduction of the "pact of the parties," or political compromise, in which the two rival parties settled certain of their political differences.[4] This modus vivendi achieved periods of peace in

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[3]Russell H. Fitzgibbon, Uruguay, Portrait of a Democracy (New Brunswick, New Jersey: Rutgers University Press, 1954), p. 26.

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These, then, were the dominant aspects of the Uruguayan environment in 1903, the year which marks the beginning of the modern period of Uruguayan politics.[5] In March of that year, there was elected to the presidency José Batlle y Ordóñez, an extraordinary politician who reorganized the political, social, and economic order of Uruguay so thoroughly that civilian government, under the constitution, has characterized the Uruguayan scene ever since.[6]

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as the price of peace.[8] The civil war which resulted was the last in Uruguay's history and ended in the unification of the country. Batlle used his victory over the Blancos "as a means for final establishment of central governmental control over the entire national territory rather than as the basis for a further territorial partitioning of the country between the two parties."[9]

In addition to his decisive victory over the Blancos in 1904, Batlle sought to reorganize the Colorado party and to free it from "the taint resulting from the support it had given to odious dictators in the past."[10] Under his leadership the power of the conservative, oligarchical, and corrupt forces within the party was weakened, and the urban lower and middle classes were permitted, _even encouraged_, to enter the political process. This was done not only for idealistic reasons but for sound political reasons as well, since an enlarged popular base of support of the Colorado party would ensure its continued electoral success.[11]

Batlle stepped down from office in 1907 "without

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[8]A pact in 1897 recognized Blanco control over six of the nineteen departments into which the country is divided. Milton I. Vanger, _José Batlle y Ordóñez of Uruguay_ (Cambridge, Massachusetts: Harvard University Press, 1963), p. 13.

[9]Taylor, _op. cit._, p. 111.

[10]_Ibid._ [11]_Ibid._

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[9] Well in 1967 Gromyko's Soviet control was as a the Chinese Communists into which the country is divided. Milton C. Taylor, Jr. Soviet Politics of Foreign Conflict, Baltimore, Publication/Inc. Johnson University Press, 1971, p. 12.

[10] Taylor, op. cit., p. 12.

[11] Ibid.

[12] Ibid.

having formulated or offered a well-articulated progressive program,"[12] yet he had done much toward ending the chaos which had plagued Uruguay during the preceding three-quarters of a century. He had, moreover, observed that clause of the still valid Constitution of 1830 which prohibited a president from succeeding himself in office.

After four years of travel abroad,[13] Batlle returned to Uruguay in 1911 and was elected by the Congress to a second four-year term in office. Within two months, "he launched the most progressive administration in Uruguayan history."[14] In addition to widespread social reform, he advocated popular rather than legislative election of the national president, together with proportional representation in the Congress.

Batlle's greatest battle, however, centered around his proposal for a nine-member collegiate executive.[15] He felt, with much justification, that the basic problems of Uruguayan governments in the past had stemmed primarily from

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[12]Hanson, op. cit., p. 20.

[13]Batlle visited several countries in Western Europe between 1907 and 1911, studying their forms of government.

[14]Hanson, op. cit., p. 20.

[15]Taylor discusses the pros and cons of the argument that Batlle's collegiate executive plan was inspired by his observation of the Swiss executive. Taylor, op. cit., p. 167, fn. 74.

having formulated or adopted a well-articulated reorganizing program,[11] yet he had done much toward making the Congress which had played Congress during the preceding twenty months a co-partner. In fact, moreover, removed that clause of the still vague Constitution of 1919 which prohibited a president from accompanying himself in office.

After four years of trained service,[12] Aquino retained no company in 1931 and was elected by the Congress to a second four-year term in office. Within the month, "he launched the most successful administration in Philippine history."[13] In addition to widespread social reforms, he advocated popular rights when legislative election of the national president, coupled with proportional representation in the Congress.

Quirino crushed Aquino, however, received second six-year term in a three-member polyglotic tournament.[14] The fact, with more initiative, that the basic problems of Philippine government in the past has changed primarily from

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dictatorship and political instability. Strong presidents, handpicking their own successors, had substituted electoral frauds for honest elections and had contributed to the perennial cycle of revolution, dictatorship, and political repression so common in Latin America. An executive council, he argued, would prevent the gravitation of power into the hands of a single strong leader and would enlist the voter's faith in the use of the ballot.

Opposition to Batlle's program was strongest among the Blancos and the conservative minority of the Colorado party, while the majority wing of the Colorados, under Batlle's control, backed the proposed reforms. His second term ended, however, before he could gather enough support for such radical innovations.

The Colorado party, still under Batlle's leadership and enjoying a wide base of popular support built up during his two terms in office, continued to dominate the Uruguayan political scene after their leader stepped down from the Presidency in 1915. In the following year, a constitutional convention was elected to consider the issue of the collegiate executive and other constitutional changes. Though supporting several of Batlle's proposals, an important fraction of the party opposed him on the question of executive reform and, hence, the Batllistas were unable to control the convention. Their threat to push through the

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Congress in 1918 his election to a third term in the Presidency eventually brought forth a compromise solution, however, and the result was that the country acquired both a president and a council.[16]

As provided by the constitution adopted in 1918, the President was to be elected for a four-year term by a simple popular plurality (no longer by the Congress) and would have within his power the appointment of the ministers of foreign relations, war and navy, and interior. Sharing the executive power was an independent National Council of Administration--a popularly-elected body of nine members chosen from the two major parties--which would have control over the ministries of labor, public welfare, finance, industry, public instruction, and public works.

Also written into the Constitution of 1918 were proportional representation, the secret ballot, the complete separation of Church and State, greater autonomy for municipalities and territorial departments, and tentative steps toward suffrage for women. As a result of these constitutional reforms, elections became more orderly, the attempt to perpetuate régimes through electoral frauds ceased,

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guarantees of free speech and free press were respected, and faith in democratic institutions was achieved.

So effective was Batlle's reorganization and popularization of the Colorado party that it retained its position as the majority party after his death in 1929. The Blancos, long since reduced to the role of the "loyal opposition," were nevertheless assured of representation in the National Council of Administration, as well as in the General Assembly and in provincial administration. Political compromise and constitutional reform had once again removed a potential cause for revolution.

In 1933, due in large part to the world economic crisis, Uruguay witnessed its only coup d'état in this century.[17] President Terra, feeling that the 1918 Constitution denied him sufficient power to legislate emergency economic measures, declared himself dictator and dissolved the National Council of Administration and the General Assembly. There resulted a mild dictatorship aimed at the restoration of economic stability; personal freedoms, however, were not severely limited. Although economic recovery was accomplished between 1933 and 1938, the Terra régime represented

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a marked departure from the tradition of constitutional government begun by Batlle. According to Taylor, "the coup of 1933 is not often discussed openly in Uruguay; it tends to be sotto voce, for Uruguayans do not enjoy discussing something of which they are ashamed."[18] In 1942, constitutional democratic government returned to Uruguay with the adoption of a new constitution and the holding of national elections.

In 1951, there occurred yet another constitutional reform affecting the executive branch of government.[19] The Blancos, though traditionally opposed to the collegiate plan, had long since despaired of capturing the Presidency through elections and began to view a council of government as the only means by which they could share in the control of the executive power. Therefore, they supported a Colorado proposal in 1951 that the collegiate executive be re-established, this time in its pure form. As subsequently approved by national plebiscite, a new constitution was adopted in 1951 which abolished the Presidency and established a National Council of Government (NCG) consisting of

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[18] Ibid., p. 319.

[19] Pendle considers constitutional reform as "the principle issue in Uruguayan politics." George Pendle, Uruguay (second edition; London: Oxford University Press, 1957), p. 29.

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nine members, six of whom came from the party receiving the largest number of votes and three from the next most-voted party. The presidency of the NCG rotated annually among the majority party members. Mainly protocolary in nature, the President's powers did not differ substantially from those of the other members of the Council. Batlle's dream of a collegiate executive had at last been realized in the form which he had originally intended.

The Colorado party suffered its first defeat in national elections in more than ninety years when, in 1958, the Blancos--or Nationalists, as they are now called--won the election by a margin of 120,000 votes.[20] In 1962, they managed to retain their majority in the NCG by a thin margin of 24,000 votes out of more than 1,000,000 votes cast. The election scheduled for 1966 will undoubtedly prove to be an equally-close contest.

II. THE SOCIAL LABORATORY OF THE AMERICAS

A widespread movement for social change, noticeable in virtually every part of the world, has become one of the dominant features in man's milieu in the twentieth century. Whether it be in Latin America or in Africa, in Asia or in

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[20]Voting statistics of national elections held between 1925 and 1958 are tabulated in Taylor, Government and Politics of Uruguay, op. cit., Appendix B.

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Combining the influence of his newspaper, El Día, with his domination of national politics, Batlle pushed through the Congress during the first three decades of this century a body of enlightened labor and social legislation which has earned for Uruguay the reputation of being the "social laboratory of the Americas." As early as 1905, a bill legalizing divorce was enacted over the opposition of the conservative classes and the clergy. Later that same year, relief from income taxes was granted to the lowest-paid public officials and those receiving small pensions. In 1914, compensation for industrial accidents was enacted into law.

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> You have not seen anything yet, for we are going to have not only an eight-hour day but also old-age and retirement pensions, a day of rest in every six, and many other social laws; *seremos una pobre y oscura republiquita pero tendremos leyecitas adelantaditas*.[21]

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III. GOVERNMENT INTERVENTION IN THE ECONOMY

Parallel to the political and social reforms achieved in Uruguay during this century were the economic measures which produced in Uruguay a modified state socialism.

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Convinced that state ownership was in the public interest, Batlle urged the Legislature to create government monopolies in the basic sector of the economy. In 1911, therefore, nationalization of the Banco de la República was effected, followed at the end of the year by the establishment of a State insurance bank, initially limited to fire, life, and workmen's compensation but extended by law in 1926 to cover all risks. In 1912, the ownership and operation of electric services and the production of industrial chemicals were made State monopolies. Postal, telegraph, and telephone facilities became public corporations in 1915, and during the First World War, the State commenced its plan to purchase the British-owned and operated railway system. By 1949, Uruguay owned virtually all of the railway system serving the country.

In 1928, the Uruguayan government entered the meat-packing business by creating the Frigorífico Nacional--one of the four frigoríficos in the country today, the other three being owned by American and British interests. In 1931, the production of petroleum, alcohol, and portland cement became a State monopoly, and in 1932, the port authority in Montevideo came under government control. A

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lower in 1963; the average work week was only twenty-five hours; the only productive increase was in the cattle industry; and imports exceeded exports by over fifteen million dollars.[29] Uruguayans, used to the good life provided by the welfare state, have as yet failed to adopt the austerity measures required to reverse these trends. The country's first comprehensive government-sponsored economic survey, completed at the end of 1963, reported that the gross national product had been declining since 1955, and that social security and welfare benefits were more expensive than Uruguay could afford unless something were done to spur productivity and exports.[30] Added to this is the fact that 20 per cent of the working force is dependent on government salaries.

Because of the inevitable correlation between economics and politics, the Uruguayan economy must soon be stabilized if its governmental system is to remain secure. Measures have already been taken, with additional reforms certain to follow. The election of 1958, which brought the opposition Blanco party into power, gave evidence of dissatisfaction with the unsound economic climate which developed in recent years under the leadership of the

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lower in 1963; the average work week was only twenty-five hours; the only productive increase was in the cattle industry; and imports exceeded exports by over fifteen million dollars.[29] Uruguayans, used to the good life provided by the welfare state, have as yet failed to adopt the austerity measures required to reverse their trend. The country's first comprehensive government-sponsored economic survey, completed at the end of 1963, reported that gross national product had been declining since 1955, and that social security and welfare benefits were more expensive than Uruguay could afford unless something were done to spur productivity and exports.[30] Added to this is the fact that 70 per cent of the working force is dependent on government salaries.

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CHAPTER III

CONTEMPORARY URUGUAYAN FOREIGN POLICY

A review of contemporary Uruguayan foreign policy provides the student of international relations with a striking and generally refreshing contrast to that of the majority of Latin American republics. Whereas boundary disputes, revolutions, and interventions have been rather commonplace in Hispanic-America, they have been almost completely absent in Uruguay's relations with its neighbors and the international community. Pendle has observed:

> It is evident that the Uruguayans have transported into the sphere of international deliberations the convictions which, since the year 1903, have determined the social and economic development of their own country.[1]

I. RELATIONS WITH ARGENTINA AND BRAZIL

Uruguay's foreign policy and freedom of action on the international scene have been influenced considerably by its position between Argentina and Brazil. Granted independence in 1828, through British mediation, as a small buffer state between the two giants of South America, Uruguay suffered the intervention of one or the other of its two powerful

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[1]George Pendle, Uruguay (second edition; London: Oxford University Press, 1957), p. 79.

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Uruguayan relations with Argentina and Brazil in the contemporary era have been affected primarily by the following considerations: geographic proximity; Argentine and Brazilian ambitions in the past toward Uruguay; differences in size, population, and resources; and long-standing antipathy between the peoples of Uruguay and Argentina which would make politically unpopular any undue deference to Argentina on the part of an Uruguayan government. Because of these factors, Uruguay has sought "to use some other large nation as a counterweight to Argentina."[2] Brazil has traditionally filled that role, although, particularly since the 1940's, the United States and membership in the O.A.S. and the U.N. have offered additional means of guaranteeing Uruguayan sovereignty.

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II. RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES, WESTERN EUROPE, AND THE SOVIET UNION

Uruguay's relations with the United States in the twentieth century have been, on the whole, very friendly. Sympathy for U.S. policy in both world wars led to the revocation of Uruguay's neutrality decrees vis-à-vis the Allies. In World War II, this led to the acceptance of U.S. financial and technical assistance in establishing naval and air bases for the defense of the Americas against Nazi submarine warfare.

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States, U.S. Ambassador Ellsworth Bunker reported on the action taken by his government on the preceding evening and told of the developments in the Dominican Republic which led to that action. Citing the breakdown of law and order in Santo Domingo, he explained the necessity of sending in U.S. forces in order to insure the safe evacuation of U.S. and other foreign nationals. Also, he mentioned the involvement of Castro-communist leaders in the rebel movement.[1]

Bunker's statement was followed by that of the Dominican Ambassador, José Antonio Bonilla Atiles, which described the situation in Santo Domingo as a struggle against communism rather than a contest between political parties. Comparing the Dominican rebellion to the Castro revolution in Cuba, he warned that "the problem is not a Dominican problem; the problem concerns all of us . . . ."[2]

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In accordance with instructions received from the Uruguayan National Council of Government, Ambassador Emilio N. Oribe stated that he would vote against the proposal to convoke a Meeting of Consultation, since his government considered that the object of such a meeting would be a matter "exclusively under the internal jurisdiction of the Dominican Republic." According to the information possessed by the Uruguayan executive council, the Dominican crisis had not as yet endangered the peace and security of the American States. Oribe further emphasized his nation's "displeasure toward every type of intervention which is not authorized by existing international agreements" and urged the Council to conform its actions in strict accordance with international law and the juridical procedures sanctioned by the inter-American system.[5]

After considerable deliberation, a vote was taken which approved the Chilean resolution, and the opening of the Tenth Meeting of Consultation was scheduled to commence on May 1.[6]

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[6]The vote was 18-1 (Uruguay), with one abstention (Dominican Republic). Cuba, of course, is presently excluded from participation in the OAS. For the text of Chile's resolution, see Appendix A.

In accordance with instructions received from the Venezuelan National Council of Government, Ambassador Smith M. Bruce asked that he would vote against the proposal to convoke a meeting of consultation, since his government considered that the subject of such a meeting would be a matter "exclusively under the internal jurisdiction of the constituent Assembly." Referring to the information obtained by the Venezuelan secretary General, the Dominican delegate had as yet promoted the peace and security of the American States. Cuban Foreign Minister emphasized his nation's "unswerving support of international action which is not authorized by existing international agreements" and urged the Council to conform its actions to strict accordance with international law and the juridical procedures sanctioned by the inter-American system.[5]

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Bunker then proposed that the Council reiterate its appeal for a cease-fire and that it request that an international neutral zone of refuge be established in Santo Domingo surrounding the embassies of foreign governments. Because of humanitarian considerations, there was general approval for this resolution;[7] Uruguay, however, abstained from giving its approval. Cribe argued that the Council was exceeding its authority in passing a resolution which, in his interpretation, was of a political nature and thus not within the competence of the Council. Had Article 6 of the Rio Treaty been invoked instead of Article 39 of the Charter, he reasoned, the Council would have been empowered immediately to constitute itself as provisional Organ of Consultation and adopt measures necessary to deal with the Dominican crisis. Under the circumstances, he concluded, further action should await the opening session of the Meeting of Consultation on the following day.[8]

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[12] Ibid., Doc. 24 (rev.), May 27, 1965, p. 17.

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On May 5, during the Ministers' debate on the creation of an inter-American peace force,[18] Uruguay's criticism

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[14] Ibid., Doc. 32 (rev.), May 27, 1965, p. 19.

[15] Supra, pp. 52-53.

[16] Décima Reunión de Consulta, Doc. 32 (rev.), May 27, 1965, p. 21.

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> The United States has clearly proclaimed that its leaders, deeply preoccupied by their experiences with Cuba and the Cold War, now assume as their sovereign right the unilateral use of armed force anywhere in the Continent with the declared objective of preventing . . . the establishment of any more communist regimes in America, be it as a result of foreign intervention or of direct action by native elements. Such, in effect, is the nucleus of what has now been called the Johnson Doctrine.[19]

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III. SUPPORT, WITH RESERVATIONS, FOR THE OAS SPECIAL COMMISSION TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

In spite of its opposition to the U.S. intervention and the convocation of the Tenth Meeting of Consultation, Uruguay voted in favor of the resolution establishing a five-man investigative commission to be sent to Santo Domingo, but it did so with reservations.[23] The primary aspect to be investigated by the Commission, according to the Uruguayan delegation, should have been the landing of U.S. troops rather than the internal affairs of the Dominican Republic. Also, while supporting the functions of the Commission dealing with mediation and conciliation, Uruguay insisted that there should have been included in the resolution the phrase: "To solicit the Government of the United States to withdraw the armed forces which it has sent to the Dominican Republic."[24]

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[22] Décima Reunión de Consulta, Doc. 40 (rev.), June 2, 1965, p. 28.

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III. SOVERTS, WITH RESERVATIONS, FOR THE OAS AMERICAN COMMISSION TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

In spite of its opposition to the U.S. intervention and the convocation of the Tenth Meeting of Consultation, Uruguay voted in favor of the resolution establishing a five-man investigative commission to be sent to Santo Domingo, but it did so with reservations.[23] The primary aspect to be investigated by the Commission, according to the Uruguayan delegation, should have been the landing of U.S. troops rather than the internal affairs of the Dominican Republic. Also, while supporting the functions of the Commission dealing with mediation and conciliation, Uruguay insisted that there should have been included in the resolution the phrase: "To solicit the Government of the United States to withdraw the armed forces which it has sent to the Dominican Republic."[24]

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[22] Décima Reunión de Consulta, Doc. 40 (rev.), June 2, 1965, p. 38.

[23] For text of the resolution, see Appendix C.

[24] Décima Reunión de Consulta, Doc. 16 (rev.), May 28, 1965, pp. 12-13.

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In explaining Uruguay's negative vote, Oribe reiterated his government's opinion that the Tenth Meeting of Consultation was considering a matter wholly within the internal jurisdiction of the Dominican Republic. The illegality of the U.S. intervention, he argued, "should not be regularized through the creation of a new international force."[27] Any type of collective action, he continued, could only be justified under Article 19 of the OAS Charter, which permits such action for the maintenance of peace and

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CHAPTER VI

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As a non-permanent member of the United Nations Security Council at the time of the Dominican crisis, Uruguay used the occasion to voice her firm adherence to the juridical obligations established by international law. The violation of such obligations, Uruguay argued, would result in anarchy within the community of nations. Based upon this position, the Uruguayan representative condemned the U.S. intervention in the Dominican Republic as a violation of existing international agreements and introduced a resolution affirming U.N. competence in regional affairs.

I. CRITICISM OF THE U.S. INTERVENTION

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Referring to the American claim that the intervention of communism was a factor in the Dominican revolution, the Soviet representative stated that "once again, the bogey of anti-Communism has been dragged out"[3] and "American leading circles ever more frequently resort to armed interference in the affairs of other countries that are struggling for national liberation."[4]

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[5] UNSC Minutes, S/PV 1204, May 11, 1965, p. 22.

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Adlai Stevenson, the U.S. representative in the Security Council, justified his country's action primarily on humanitarian grounds but referred also to the intrusion of communist elements in the Dominican revolt. Stevenson declared that "revolution in any country is a matter for that country to deal with. It becomes a matter calling for hemispheric action only--and I repeat, only--when the object is the establishment of a communistic dictatorship."[8] Quoting from President Johnson's televised address of May 2nd, Stevenson emphasized that:

> The American nations will not permit the establishment of another communist government in the Western hemisphere. This was the unanimous view of all the American nations when in January 1962 they declared, "The principles of communism are incompatible with the principles of the inter-American system." This is, and this will be, the common action and the common purpose of the democratic forces of the hemisphere, as President Johnson has

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On the second day of deliberations on the Dominican situation, the Uruguayan representative, Carlos María Velázquez, stated his government's views in respect to the U.S. intervention. After referring to the position taken by Uruguay in the OAS, Velázquez said:

> . . . The position of my Government, I think, rests squarely within the strict Latin American juridical tradition.
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In reference to President Johnson's assertion that the legal basis for such a doctrine rested upon the decision taken by the OAS at the Eighth Meeting of Consultation in 1962, Velázquez pointed out--as did Oribe in the OAS--that the decision referred to by President Johnson provided for the exclusion of a communist government from participation in the organs of the inter-American system but did not go so far as to authorize preventive action to forestall the establishment of communist régimes.[12]

Velázquez concluded his remarks that day by emphasizing the importance which Uruguay places upon the strict adherence to existing juridical norms:

> . . . from very early on in its own historic experience--one that was as painful as that of the other Latin American nations--my country knew full well the need that the world be effectively regulated by respect for the laws of international morality and the set-up of legality . . . . The fate of the small nations gradually, if all this is to be lost, is to become most hazardous. Our position is far from obeying what some realistic minds might call beatitude or religious attachment to legality. We apply a

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II. THE URUGUAYAN RESOLUTION OF MAY 11, 1965: AN ASSERTION OF U.N. COMPETENCE IN REGIONAL AFFAIRS

In contrast to the active role being played by the OAS, the Security Council failed to take early action because of a deadlock which arose over the question of jurisdiction between the regional and universal organizations. While the Soviet representative stressed the priority of the U.N. in dealing with matters affecting international peace and security, the U.S. representative repeatedly referred to the effectiveness of the regional organization and its priority of competence in handling the Dominican dispute. The smaller nations, meanwhile, became concerned at the

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In explaining Uruguay's approach to the relationship between the OAS and the U.N. Velázquez cited the words spoken by the head of the Uruguayan delegation at the Ninth Session of the General Assembly:

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Addressing himself to the Dominican crisis, Velázquez continued:

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By May 11, it appeared that the deadlock reached in the Security Council debate might prevent any action whatever. With this in mind and in view of the seemingly-deteriorating situation in Santo Domingo, Uruguay made the

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first move to present a draft resolution aimed at prodding the Council into action. In doing so, Velázquez stated his country's concern not only for events in the Dominican Republic but also for the continuing effectiveness of the U.N. in the maintenance of international peace and security.

Referring to the lack of agreement among the members of the Council, Velázquez observed:

> . . . in view of the statements that have been made in the course of this debate, I think we must conclude that there is no unanimous agreement in the Security Council regarding the substantive decisions that the Council might adopt. In the view of my delegation, this is the most serious of all the facts before us, because the absence of a decision by the Security Council would imply, regardless of the doctrinaire or theoretical statements that might be made, the inability of the Council to fulfill its duties . . . . the result would be to delay or undermine the effective application of the legal guarantees against aggression as set forth in the Charter. But this damage would not only be done to small nations. The United Nations itself would be damaged, and the Security Council would be damaged. The prestige and authority of the Organization might be seriously jeopardized at a time in its history when, for reasons well known to all of us, it is the duty of every member to do everything in its power to strenghthen the Organization, and not to weaken it even further.
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lines meant to convey a court decision based on upholding the Council's powers. In doing so, Tuthipuzhi avoided his country's concern not only for efforts in the Dominions Department but also for the conferring authoritativeness of the U.N. in the maintenance of international peace and security.

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debate end without adopting any draft resolution whatever.[15]

The resolution introduced by Uruguay, while taking note of the measures already adopted by the OAS, reaffirmed Article 24 of the UN Charter which confers upon the Security Council "primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security." Velázquez argued:

> Temporary priority of the regional organization . . . only refers to the type of international controversy which might be settled peacefully by negotiation, and not situations of the present case, which are accompanied by charges of aggression.[16]

Citing also the articles of the charters of the U.N. and the OAS which refer to the principle of nonintervention, the Uruguayan resolution reaffirmed the right of the Dominican people to exercise, without coercion, their right of self-determination. In addition, it called upon the OAS to keep the Security Council informed of its actions in the Dominican Republic and to cooperate with the U.N. Secretary-General in the implementation of the resolution. Most importantly, however, it "invite[d] the Secretary-General to follow closely the events in the Dominican Republic and to take such measures as he may deem appropriate for the purpose of reporting to the Security Council on all aspects of

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[15] UNSC Minutes, S/PV 1204, May 11, 1965, pp. 6-7.

[16] Ibid., pp. 8-10.

> "Adopts and without adopting any draft resolution whatever."[15]

The resolution introduced by Uruguay, while taking note of the measures already adopted by the OAS, reaffirmed Article 24 of the UN Charter which confers upon the Security Council "primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security." Venezuela argued:

> Temporary priority of the regional organization . . . only exists in the type of international controversy which might be settled peacefully by negotiation, and not situations of the present case, which are accompanied by charges of aggression.[16]

Citing also the articles of the Charters of the U.N. and the OAS which refer to the priority of peaceful-settlement, the Uruguayan resolution reaffirmed the right of the Dominican people to exercise, without coercion, their right of self-determination. In addition, it called upon the OAS to keep the Security Council informed of its actions in the Dominican Republic and to cooperate with the U.N. Secretary-General in the implementation of the resolution. Most importantly, however, it "invited" the Secretary-General to follow closely the events in the Dominican Republic and to take such measures as he may deem appropriate for the purpose of reporting to the Security Council on all aspects of

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[15]Dom. Rep., S/PV 1204, May 11, 1965, pp. 6-7.

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According to Velázquez, the differences between the Uruguayan resolution of May 11 and that adopted on May 14 were significant. Whereas the former would have given the Secretary-General an authorization, in somewhat vague terms, "to follow closely" the events in the Dominican Republic and "to take such measures as he may deem appropriate" in order to report to the Security Council, the latter specifically authorized him "to send a representative," thus calling for the direct intervention of the U.N. Latin American opinion,

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[11]UNSC Resolution, S/Res/203, May 14, 1965. For text of the resolution, see Appendix A.

nevertheless, was generally critical of the Uruguayan position.[22]

The result of the Council's action on May 14 was to inject, for the very first time, the physical presence of the U.N. into a regional dispute. With this accomplished, the Council resumed its deliberations, at Fedorenko's insistence, on the Soviet resolution of May 4 demanding the withdrawal of U.S. forces.

On May 21, the Soviet resolution was finally brought to a vote, but only the USSR voted in favor of it.[23] Fedorenko then introduced into the pending Uruguayan resolution an amendment condemning the U.S. intervention and calling for the withdrawal of U.S. forces. This amendment, voted upon separately on May 22, was likewise defeated.[24]

Although the Uruguayan resolution had, in effect, been superseded by the Council's resolution of May 14, it too was brought to a vote but received the support of only France, Jordan, Malaysia, and the Ivory Coast, in addition to Uruguay. The USSR voted against it because of its

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[22] La Mañana [Montevideo], May 30, 1965, reported the critical attitude noted in much of Latin America toward the Uruguayan position in the U.N.

[23] UNSC Minutes, S/PV 1214, May 21, 1965, pp. 61-62.

[24] UNSC Minutes, S/PV 1216, May 22, 1965, pp. 31-35.

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[25] Ibid. Journal, A/P 1316, May 21, 1965, pp. 32-33.

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Obviously disappointed with the minimum role assumed by the United Nations and apprehensive of the course taken by the OAS Tenth Meeting of Consultation, Velázquez stated on June 7:

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> set up to allow the effective exercise of a police force by the international community, we must once again reaffirm the old concepts which still apply and which still provide the sole shield to protect the weak [italics not in the original].[26]

The Uruguayan position in the United Nations Security Council can best be summarized, therefore, as one of unyielding adherence to the legal precepts embodied in international law. Critical of the U.S. intervention and opposed to the course adopted by the OAS, the Uruguayan representative sought to inject the influence of the United Nations into the Dominican dispute in an attempt to counter-balance the multilateral action sanctioned by the regional organization. This was done, it seems, not so much on the merits of the Dominican question itself but rather on the principle that the small nations of the world must be uncompromising in the conviction that their principal source of protection lies within the legal guarantees provided by international law.

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[26] UNSC Minutes, S/PV 1221, June 7, 1965, pp. 41-42.

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[35]Lewis Nizmova, op cit (111), June 7, 1965, pp. 43-47.

CHAPTER VII

CONCLUSIONS

Respect for legal norms has served Uruguay well in her international relations during the twentieth century. As a small and militarily weak buffer state located between two powerful neighbors, she early realized the importance of stressing international law, rather than national power, as the desirable course to pursue on the international scene. Consequently, the principle of nonintervention, as well as considerations of national sovereignty and the juridical equality of states, have been the main pillars of her foreign policy. And just as the Charters of the OAS and the U.N. provide some measure of guarantee for these principles, so also does Uruguay aspire to an active role in these organizations in the effort to strengthen the principles which they endorse. The primary factor explaining Uruguay's position on the Dominican crisis in 1965, therefore, was this attempt by a small nation to maintain the delicate balance which exists in the world today between the observance of international law and the exercise of national power.

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serious economic problems for the past decade, and at the time of the Dominican crisis, she was faced with a national bank scandal and a series of paralyzing strikes. The National Council of Government, hindered by its diffusion of authority and responsibility, was unable to cope effectively with the deteriorating economic situation. This resulted in the decision to schedule a national plebiscite in 1966 to consider the abolition of the collegiate executive form of government and a return to the presidential form of government. Whereas such unstable economic and political conditions might have provided the excuse in some countries of Latin America for a resort to unconstitutional means for their solution, in Uruguay they merely emphasized the need of employing legal methods, as had been done many times in the past. The emphasis on legal norms revealed in Uruguay's foreign policy during the Dominican crisis, therefore, served to reinforce the domestic legalism which was required to maintain her tradition of constitutional government during a period of internal crisis.

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In conclusion, it should be noted that circumstances of geography, population, and resources will undoubtedly prevent Uruguay from ever reaching medium or great power status. As a substitute for national power, therefore, and until such time as the world is effectively regulated by law, it may be concluded that Uruguay will continue to play the role of the juridical gadfly in the field of international deliberations.

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A P P E N D I X E S

APPENDIX A

RESOLUTION CONVOKING THE TENTH MEETING

OF CONSULTATION

WHEREAS:

The Ambassador Representative of Chile, on April 29, 1965, addressed a note to the Chairman of the Council in which his Government requested "that a Meeting of Consultation of Ministers of Foreign Affairs be convoked for the first day of May 1965";

As the agenda for the aforesaid meeting, which would be held pursuant to the terms of Article 39 of the Charter of the Organization of American States, the Ambassador Representative of Chile has proposed the following:

"Serious situation created by armed strife in the Dominican Republic"; and

The urgency of the convocation makes it necessary to call attention to the provisions of Article 42 of the Charter of the OAS, adopting as regulations those approved by the Council at the meeting held on March 1, 1951, and designating the Pan American Union, in Washington, D. C., as the site of the meeting;

THE COUNCIL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES

RESOLVES:

1. To convoke, pursuant to Articles 39 and 40 of the Charter of the Organization of American States, a Meeting of Consultation of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the American Republics for May 1, 1965.

2. To approve as the agenda of this meeting the following:

> "Serious situation created by the armed strife in the Dominican Republic."

3. To approve as the Regulations of the Conference those approved by the Council of the Organization of American States at the meeting held on March 1, 1951.

ANEXO 6

RESOLUCION CONVOCANDO UNA VISITA MINISTRO

DE CONSULTA

WHEREAS:

The Ambassador representative of Chile, on April 25, 1985, addressed a note to the Chairman of the Council in which his Government requested that a meeting of Consultation of Ministers of Foreign Affairs be convoked for the first day of May 1985;

In the agenda for the aforesaid meeting, which would be held pursuant to the terms of Article 12 of the Charter of the Organization of American States, the Ambassador representative of Chile has proposed the following:

"Peruvian situation created by armed strife in the Peruvian Republic"; and

The urgency of the convocation makes it necessary to call attention to the provisions of Article 12 of the Charter of the OAS, adopting as regulations those approved by the Council at the meeting held on March 1, 1971, and designating the Pan American Union, in exception, E. C., as the site of the meeting;

THE COUNCIL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES

RESOLVES:

1. In conform, pursuant to Articles 12 and 39 of the Charter of the Organization of American States, a Meeting of Consultation of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the American Republics for May 1, 1985.

2. To approve as the agenda of this meeting the following:

"Peruvian situation created by the armed strife in the Peruvian Republic."

3. To approve as the regulations of the conference those approved by the Council of the Organization of American States at the meeting held on March 1, 1971.

4. To designate the Pan American Union, Washington, D. C., as the site of the Meeting.

5. To request the Secretary General to inform the governments of the member states of the OAS of this decision, in the most rapid way possible, calling attention to the provisions of Article 42 of the Charter of the Organization of American States.

6. To appoint a committee to begin today to study the preparations for this Meeting, in the more urgent aspects not covered in this resolution.

4. To designate the Pan American Union, Washington, D. C., as the site of the Meeting.

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APPENDIX B

RESOLUTION CALLING FOR CEASE-FIRE

THE COUNCIL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES

RESOLVES:

1. To reiterate the call of April 29, 1965 upon all the authorities, the political groupings, and the opposing forces to pursue immediately all possible means by which a cease-fire may be established and all hostilities and military operations suspended in order to prevent further tragic loss of life or injury as well as material damages in the sister Dominican Republic.

2. To make an urgent appeal to the same authorities, political groupings, and forces on both sides to permit the immediate establishment of an international neutral zone of refuge, encompassing the geographical area of the city of Santo Domingo immediately surrounding the embassies of foreign governments, the inviolability of which will be respected by all opposing forces and within which nationals of all countries will be given safe haven.

3. To inform the Security Council of the United Nations of the text of this resolution pursuant to Article 54 of the United Nations Charter.

APPENDIX C

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING OAS COMMITTEE

THE TENTH MEETING OF CONSULTATION OF MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

1. Decides to establish a committee composed of representatives of the following five member states: Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Guatemala, and Panama;

2. Instructs the Committee to go immediately to the city of Santo Domingo, to do everything possible to obtain the re-establishment of peace and normal conditions, and to give priority to the following two functions:

a. To offer its good offices to the Dominican armed groups and political groups and to diplomatic representatives for the purpose of obtaining urgently:

i. a cease-fire; and
ii. the orderly evacuation of the persons who have taken asylum in the embassies and of all foreign citizens who desire to leave the Dominican Republic; and

b. To carry out an investigation of all aspects of the situation in the Dominican Republic that led to the convocation of this Meeting;

3. Requests the Committee to submit a report to the Meeting on the progress of its work, including the conclusions and recommendations that it may consider appropriate, in the shortest time possible;

4. Requests the American governments and the Secretary General of the Organization of American States to extend their full cooperation in order to facilitate the work of the Committee; and

5. Instructs the Secretary General of the Organization of American States to transmit to the Security Council of the United Nations the text of this resolution, in accordance with the provisions of Article 54 of the Charter of the United Nations.

APPENDIX C

WASHINGTON INTERAMERICAN CAB COMMITTEE

THE TASKS BEFORE CONSULTATION OF MINISTERS IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS

1. Undertake to establish a committee composed of representatives of the following five member states: Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Mexico, and Uruguay;

2. Instructs the Committee to go immediately to Guatemala, to do everything possible to obtain the re-establishment of peace and normal conditions, and to give priority to the following two measures:

a. To offer its good offices to the Guatemalan armed groups and political groups and to diplomatic representatives for the purpose of obtaining urgently:

i. a cease-fire; and

ii. the safe evacuation of the persons who have taken asylum in the embassies and of all foreign citizens who desire to leave the Guatemalan Republic; and

b. To carry out an investigation of all aspects of the situation in the Guatemalan Republic that led to the convocation of this meeting;

3. Requests the committee to submit a report to the Meeting on the progress of its work, including the conclusions and recommendations that it may consider appropriate, in the shortest time possible;

4. Requests the American governments and the Secretary General of the Organization of American States to extend their full cooperation in order to facilitate the work of the Committee; and

5. Instructs the Secretary General of the Organization of American States to transmit to the Security Council of the United Nations the text of this resolution, in accordance with the provisions of Article 54 of the Charter of the United Nations.

APPENDIX D

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING INTER-AMERICAN FORCE

WHEREAS:

This Meeting at its session of May 1, 1965, established a Committee to proceed to the Dominican Republic to seek the re-establishment of peace and normal conditions in the territory of that republic;

The said resolution requests the American governments and the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States to extend their full cooperation to facilitate the work of the Committee;

The formation of an inter-American force will signify ipso facto the transformation of the forces presently in Dominican territory into another force that will not be that of one state or of a group of states but that of the Organization of American States, which Organization is charged with the responsibility of interpreting the democratic will of its members;

The American states being under the obligation to provide reciprocal assistance to each other, the Organization is under greater obligation to safeguard the principles of the Charter and to do everything possible so that in situations such as that prevailing in the Dominican Republic appropriate measures may be taken leading to the re-establishment of peace and normal democratic conditions;

The Organization of American States being competent to assist the member states in the preservation of peace and the re-establishment of normal democratic conditions, it is also competent to provide the means that reality and circumstances require and that prudence counsels as adequate for the accomplishment of such purposes; and

The Committee of the Organization of American States that proceeded to the Dominican Republic, in its second report to this Meeting, advises the formation of an inter-American force to achieve the objectives determined by the Meeting of Consultation,

THE TENTH MEETING OF CONSULTATION OF MINISTERS OF

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

APPENDIX 3

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING INTER-AMERICAN FORCE

WHEREAS:

This meeting at its session of May 1, 1963, established a Committee to proceed to the Dominican Republic to seek the re-establishment of peace and normal conditions in the country on that occasion;

The said resolution requires the American governments and the normal institutions of the Organization of American States to extend every full cooperation to facilitate the work of the Committee;

The formation of an Inter-American force will simplify into fact the transformation of the force presently in Dominican territory into another force that will not be that of one state or of a group of states but that of the organization of American states, which organization is charged with the responsibility of safeguarding the democratic will of its members;

The American states being under the obligation to provide reciprocal assistance to each other, the organization is under greater obligation to safeguard the principles of the Charter and to do everything possible to that in situations such as that prevailing in the Dominican Republic appropriate measures may be taken leading to the re-establishment of peace and normal democratic conditions;

The Organization of American States being competent to assist the member states in the preservation of peace and the re-establishment of normal democratic conditions, it is also competent to provide the means that reality and circumstances require and that produce conditions as propitious for the accomplishment of such purposes; and

The Committee of the Organization of American States that proceeded to the Dominican Republic, in its second report to this Meeting, advises the formation of an Inter-American force to achieve the objectives determined by the meeting of Consultation.

THE TENTH MEETING OF CONSULTATION OF MINISTERS OF

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

RESOLVES:

1. To request governments of member states that are willing and capable of doing so to make contingents of their land, naval, air or police forces available to the Organization of American States, within their capabilities and to the extent they can do so, to form an inter-American force that will operate under the authority of this Tenth Meeting of Consultation.

2. That this Force will have as its sole purpose, in a spirit of democratic impartiality, that of cooperating in the restoration of normal conditions in the Dominican Republic, in maintaining the security of its inhabitants and the inviolability of human rights, and in the establishment of an atmosphere of peace and conciliation that will permit the functioning of democratic institutions.

3. To request the commanders of the contingents of forces that make up this Force to work out directly among themselves and with a Committee of this Meeting the technical measures necessary to establish a Unified Command of the Organization of American States for the coordinated and effective action of the Inter-American Armed Force. In the composition of this Force an effort will be made to see that the national contingents will be progressively equalized.

4. That at such time as the OAS Unified Command shall have determined that the Inter-American Armed Force is adequate for the purposes contemplated by the resolution adopted by this Meeting on May 1, 1965, the full responsibility of meeting these purposes shall be assumed by that Force.

5. That the withdrawal of the Inter-American Force from the Dominican Republic shall be determined by this Meeting.

6. To continue in session in order to keep the situation under review, to receive the report and recommendations of the Committee, and in the light thereof to take the necessary steps to facilitate the prompt restoration of democratic order in the Dominican Republic.

7. To inform the Security Council of the United Nations of the text of this resolution.

RESOLVED:

4. To request governments of member states that are willing and capable of doing so to make contingents of their land, naval, air or police forces available to the organization of American States, within their capabilities and to the extent they can do so, in order to form an Inter-American force that will operate under the authority of this Tenth Meeting of Consultation.

5. That this force will have as its main purpose, in a spirit of democratic impartiality, that of cooperating in the restoration of normal conditions in the Dominican Republic, in maintaining the security of the inhabitants and the inviolability of human rights, and in the establishment of an atmosphere of peace and conciliation that will permit the functioning of democratic institutions.

6. To request the President of the Consultative Committee of Foreign Ministers to make out-of-country contacts and with a Committee of this Meeting the technical measures necessary to establish a United Command of the Organization of American States for the coordinated and effective action of the Inter-American force. In the composition of this force an effort will be made to see that the national contingents will be proportionately equitable.

7. That at such time as the Ad Hoc United Command shall have determined that the Inter-American force is adequate for the purpose contemplated by the resolution adopted by this Meeting on May 1, 1965, the full responsibility of meeting these purposes shall be assumed by that force.

8. That the withdrawal of the Inter-American force from the Dominican Republic shall be determined by this Meeting.

9. To continue in session in order to take the situation under review, to receive the report and recommendations of the Committee, and in the light thereof to take the necessary steps to facilitate the orderly withdrawal of democratic order in the Dominican Republic.

10. To inform the Security Council of the United Nations of the text of this resolution.

APPENDIX E

URUGUAYAN DRAFT RESOLUTION OF MAY 11, 1965

The Security Council,

Having considered the situation existing in the Dominican Republic,

Taking note of the communications dated 29 April, 30 April, 1 May, 3 May and 6 May 1965 from the Organization of American States, reporting on the measures taken by that Organization in connexion with the situation existing in the Dominican Republic,

Having regard to Articles 24, 34 and 35, and the relevant provisions of Chapter VIII, of the Charter of the United Nations,

Reaffirming the principles set forth in Chapter I of the Charter of the United Nations and, in particular, in Article 2, paragraphs 4 and 7,

Having particular regard also to the provisions of Articles 15 and 17 of the Charter of the Organization of American States,

1. Expresses its deep concern at the recent developments in the Dominican Republic;

2. Reaffirms the right of the people of the Dominican Republic freely to exercise, without coercion of any kind, their sovereign right of self-determination;

3. Urgently appeals to all contending factions in the Dominican Republic to cease hostilities and to make every possible effort to achieve a peaceful and democratic settlement of their differences;

4. Invites the Secretary-General to follow closely the events in the Dominican Republic and to take such measures as he may deem appropriate for the purpose of reporting to the Security Council on all aspects of the situation;

5. Invites the Organization of American States to keep the Security Council promptly and fully informed of the

APPENDIX C

GUATEMALAN DRAFT RESOLUTION OF OCT 11, 1961

The Security Council,

Having considered the situation existing in the Dominican Republic,

Taking note of the communications dated 27 July, 30 April, 1 May, 1 May and 5 May 1961 from the Organization of American States, concerning on the measures taken by that organization in connection with the situation existing in the Dominican Republic,

Having regard to Articles 23, 33 and 34, and the relevant provisions of Chapter VIII, of the Charter of the United Nations,

Reaffirming the principles set forth in Chapter I of the Charter of the United Nations and, in particular, in Article 2, paragraphs 4 and 7,

Having particular regard also to the provisions of Articles 13 and 17 of the Charter of the Organization of American States,

1. Expresses its deep concern at the recent developments in the Dominican Republic;

2. Reaffirms the right of the people of the Dominican Republic freely to exercise, without coercion of any kind, their sovereign right of self-determination;

3. Expressly appeals to all contending factions in the Dominican Republic to cease hostilities and to make every possible effort to achieve a peaceful and democratic settlement of their differences;

4. Invites the Secretary-General to follow closely the events in the Dominican Republic and to take such measures as he may deem appropriate for the purpose of reporting to the Security Council on all aspects of the situation;

5. Invites the Organization of American States to keep the Security Council properly and fully informed of the

action taken by the Organization of American States with respect to the situation existing in the Dominican Republic;

6. Also invites the Organization of American States to co-operate with the Secretary-General of the United Nations in the implementation of this resolution.

APPENDIX F

SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION OF MAY 14, 1965

The Security Council,

Deeply concerned at the grave events in the Dominican Republic,

1. Calls for strict cease-fire;

2. Invites the Secretary-General to send, as an urgent measure, a representative to the Dominican Republic for the purpose of reporting to the Security Council on the present situation;

3. Calls upon all concerned in the Dominican Republic to co-operate with the representative of the Secretary-General in the carrying out of this task.

APPENDIX V

Security Council resolution of Mar 14, 1955

The Security Council,

Gravely concerned at the grave attack in the Dominican Republic;

1. Calls for strict cease-fire;

2. Invites the Secretary-General to send as an urgent measure, a representative to the Dominican Republic for the purpose of reporting to the Security Council on the present situation;

3. Calls upon all concerned in this situation especially to cooperate with ECA representative or the Secretary-General in the carrying out of this task.

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